IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/596909 Confirmation No. 2102

Applicant : Takashi Kumabe et al.

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Title : METHOD OF DETERMINING COMPLETION OF COIN

INSERTION AND COIN RECOVERING DEVICE FOR

AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE

Docket No. : NIS-16743 Customer No. : 040854

AMENDMENT "A"

(In response to Paper No./Mail Date 20090214)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated February 19, 2009. The three month period for responding to the Office action expires on May 19, 2009. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.